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Dear Mr. Stokes:

Please begin efforts to phase out lethal dose animal testing and replace it with non animal in vitro testing methods. Please remember animals experience pain the same as humans, and it is not OK to use them just because they have no voice. It has been proven time and again that so much of the research done on animals has to be done using other methods anyway because animals and humans are made up differently so these poor animals are made to suffer and nothing is resolved in the process.

Sincerely,

Karen Andeson